



First Presbyterian

CHURCH OF EASTON



A Service for the Worship of God
July 17, 2022
The Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

GATHERING MUSIC

TOWER BELLS

PRELUDE

Aria

Peeters

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

WE GIVE THANKS TO GOD

CALL TO WORSHIP

This is the day that the Lord has made!

Let us rejoice and be glad for it!

Let us offer our thanks and praise to the God who made and loves us!

*HYMN 263, V.1-4

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

Immortal, invisible, God only wise,
In light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
Almighty, victorious, Thy great name we praise.

Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,
Nor wanting, nor wasting, Thou rulest in might;
Thy justice like mountains high soaring above
Thy clouds, which are fountains of goodness and love.

To all, life Thou givest, to both great and small;
In all life Thou livest, the true life of all;
We blossom and flourish like leaves on the tree,
Then wither and perish; but naught changeth Thee.

Thou reignest in glory, Thou rulest in light,
Thine angels adore Thee, all veiling their sight;
All praise we would render; O help us to see
'Tis only the splendor of light hideth Thee!

Let all that I am praise the Lord.

O Lord my God, how great you are!

Your robe is one of honor, majesty and light.

You stretch out the starry curtain of the heavens.

You placed the world on its foundation so it would never be moved.

You send rain on the mountains from your heavenly home, and you fill the earth with bounty.

You cause grass to grow for the livestock and plants for people to use.

You allow them to produce food from the earth – wine to make them glad, olive oil to soothe their skin, and bread to give them strength.

Let all that I am praise the Lord. O Lord my God, how great you are!

O Lord, what a variety of things you have made!

In wisdom you have made them all.

The earth is full of your creatures.

They all depend on you to give them food as they need it.

When you supply it, they gather it.

You open your hand to feed them, and they are richly satisfied.

When you give them your breath, life is created, and you renew the face of the earth.

Let all that I am praise the Lord. O Lord my God, how great you are!

May the glory of the Lord continue forever!

The Lord takes pleasure in all he has made!

Let all that I am praise the Lord. Praise the Lord!

CALL TO PRAYER

As we recognize the goodness of God and of all that God gives, we gain perspective. Our worship begins in praise and moves to a plea for God to help us be better people. This is how we truly show our gratitude to God, by seeking to be more Christ-like in our life. Let us together confess how we have sinned, receive God's forgiveness, and make room for the Holy Spirit to transform us in real, tangible ways.

PRAYERS OF PRAISE AND CONFESSION

God of majesty and mystery, your love and purpose embrace the whole world. You set us in a world of beauty and bounty and invite us to meet you in the midst of its wonders. You call us to love each other in the example of Jesus to make your world a place of justice and compassion. In this hour of worship, send us your Spirit of wisdom and grace so that we can live out the praise on our lips in our day-to-day living, which we offer to you, our one and only God.

Lord Jesus Christ, you were born one of us to show us God's love for us. You came to teach us God's truth and touch us with God's mercy. We confess we sometimes try to push you away. We cling to what we think, and resist your challenge to open our lives to others. We limit our generosity, convinced we can't give any more. Forgive us, Lord Jesus, when we turn away from the example you set for us.

Silent prayer

Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Believe the good news of the gospel: in Jesus Christ you are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

*RESPONSE OF PRAISE

Gloria Patri

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen. Amen.**

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 10:38-42

SERMON

Rev. Stefanie Muntzel

ANTHEM

On Eagle's Wings

Joncas
Maya Marino Cappello, soloist

You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord,
Who abide in his shelter for life,
Say to the Lord, "My refuge,
My rock, in whom I trust!"

Refrain:

And he will raise you up on eagle's wings,
Bear you on the breath of dawn,
Make you to shine like the sun,
And hold you in the palm of his hand.

The snare of the fowler will never capture you,
And famine will bring you no fear:
Under his wings, your refuge,
His faithfulness your shield.

You need not fear the terror of the night,
Nor the arrow that flies by day;
Though thousands fall about you,
Near you it shall not come.

For to his angels he's given a command
To guard you in all of your ways;
Upon their hands they will bear you up,
Lest you dash your foot against a stone.

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

WELCOME TO A NEW MEMBER

Carol Butler

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

Gifted with the grace of God, let us now offer ourselves to the building of God's kingdom.

OFFERING PRAYER

Bless these gifts, O Lord of all, that we might worship you with great joy and serve your people with great love. In Christ's name, amen.

*RESPONSE

Doxology

**Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

WE GO IN GOD'S NAME

*HYMN 432, V. 1

Song of Hope

May the God of hope go with us every day,
Filling all our lives with love and joy and peace.
May the God of justice speed us on our way,
Bringing light and hope to every land and race.
Praying, let us work for peace,
Singing, share our joy with all,
Working for a world that's new,
Faithful when we hear Christ's call.

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Psalm 19

Marcello

Our soloist today is Miss Maya Marino Cappello. She is a senior at Phillipsburg High School and a member of Pilgrim Presbyterian Church. She is the winner of the 2022 Freedy's Outstanding Performance by an Actress in a Supporting Role for her portrayal of Miss Adelaide from Phillipsburg High School's performance of Guys & Dolls. Maya will be attending DeSales University this Fall.

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Worship Leaders

Rev. Stefanie Muntzel

Gloria Snyder, Organist

Elizabeth Campbell, Chancel Choir Director

Tech Support: Jacob Van Norman, Bill Bartlett, Rich Linnell, Pat Koefoed, Luke McGloughlin

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Luke 10:38-42

Now as they went on their way, he entered a certain village where a woman named Martha welcomed him. She had a sister named Mary, who sat at Jesus' feet and listened to what he was saying. But Martha was distracted by her many tasks, so she came to him and asked, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her, then, to help me." But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things, but few things are needed – indeed only one. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her."